

Tuscaloosa County Road Improvement Commission (TCRIC)  
Meeting Minutes --- October 29, 2018  
Northport City Hall

Commission Member Attendees: Mayor Walt Maddox-Chair; Judge Hardy McCollum; Mayor Donna Aaron; Senator Gerald Allen; Representative Chris England; Jim Page; Claude Edwards

Other Attendees: John McWilliams, David Kemp, Brad Darden, Alyce Spruell, Nicole Hampton, Jason Morton, Rep. Bill Poole, Glenda Webb, Scott Anders, Robert Spence, Eddie Pugh, Clay Randolph, Rob Robertson, Rick Harbin, Ron Davis

Mayor Maddox called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Meeting minutes from the September meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Judge McCollum seconded by Mayor Aaron.

The financial information on the meeting agenda was reviewed by Rick Harbin. The average collections for FY 2018 (after 11 months) is nearly 5% increased from FY 2017.

Brad Darden provided an update on ALDOT projects within Tuscaloosa County, both supported by TCRIC and those not. Utility relocation is continuing on Lurleen Wallace Blvd. The Southbound roadway has been removed. The Martin Road project is nearing completion and has had very positive feedback from the community. The Bear Creek/US-82 intersection project punch list has been completed and is now in accounting close-out. The SR-69 South/Skyland intersection project is not under active work while the TCRIC-ALDOT agreement is under consideration. Plans for the SR-69 N/Charlie Shirley Road intersection project are being reviewed in ALDOT's Montgomery office. Senator Allen inquired about whether the 20/59 closures would happen every Saturday. Darden stated that not every week but that it will happen again and that night work would occur on closed weekends.

Bruce Higginbotham and Ron Davis gave an update on the Union Chapel Rd/SR-69 North project. The final parcel has been in condemnation. The City of Northport will be appealing the condemnation valuation but hopes to gain access in the next several weeks to begin utility work.

Scott Anders provided a brief update on Tuscaloosa County-managed projects that are currently under construction. Martin Rd is finished besides raised pavement markers that need to be installed. Bear Creek Road/Bear Creek Cutoff Road alignment project is functioning with flowing traffic as intended with a few items left to be completed.

Glenda Webb reviewed City of Tuscaloosa's work. Hargrove Road is under construction with one change order completed and one more anticipated but is still under total funding previously approved. JWP is still within right-of-way acquisition (approximately 15 of 39 parcels have been acquired). McWright's Ferry Road remains in in-house value engineering.

Mayor Aaron provided an update from the contracts subcommittee meeting which followed the September meeting. The committee recommended the approval of the engagement letter from

Maynard Cooper as bond counsel. After a motion by Judge McCollum, seconded by Senator Allen, the committee's recommendation and engagement letter was approved unanimously.

Alyce Spruell provided a compliance update. There is currently an overage on the Bear Creek Intersection project but those issues are still being resolved with ALDOT representatives (including questions about any liquidated damages for contractor). The audit process has informally begun with representatives from JamisonMoneyFarmer. The JMF representatives hope to do actual audit work the week after Thanksgiving. Conversations have also continued with the ATIB representatives but also involve the consideration of existing ALDOT agreements.

Rep. England moved for the Commission to move into executive session to discuss the Commission's contractual obligations and negotiations regarding potentially competitive funding dollars from ALDOT. Jim Page seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

After a motion by Senator Allen, seconded by Mayor Aaron, the Commission left executive session.

The meeting was then adjourned by Mayor Maddox at 9:00 a.m.